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SUBJECT: HIGH VISIBILITY OF SOVIET PSYCHIATRISTS AT SUICIDE
PREVENTION CONGRESS

1. PROMINENT IN FINNISH PRESS COVERAGE OF 9TH CONGRESS OF INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR SUICIDE PREVENTION (IASP) HELD JUNE 20-22 IN HELSINKI WERE SOVIET PARTICIPANTS IDENTIFIED AS LEADING MOSCOW PSYCHIATRIST ACADEMICIAN GEORGE MOROZOV, AGE 57, AND TARTO UNIVERSITY PSYCHIATRIC DEPT. CHIEF PROF. JURI SAARMA. THESE TWO APPEARED CLOSE TOGETHER IN SEVERAL PRESS PHOTOS OF CONGRESS.
 2. SOVIET REPRESENTATIVES HAVE NOT PREVIOUSLY ATTENDED ISAP CONGRESSES WHICH HELD EVERY TWO YEARS. MOROZOV ATTENDED HELSINKI MEETING AT PERSONAL INVITATION OF FINNISH MEETING CHAIRMAN, KALLE ACHTEN, BUT MOROZOV TAKING WITH HIMON RETURN TO MOSCOW REQUEST THAT USSR JOIN IASP.
 3. MOROZOV GAVE PRESS INTERVIEW JUNE 22, WITH SAARMA IN CLOSE ATTENDANCE. MOROZOV SAID HE KNEW ONLY ABOUT CLINICAL ASPECTS OF SUICIDE PREVENTION WHILE "OTHER AUTHORITIES" KNEW OVERALL SUICIDE RATE IN USSR. HE
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- DESCRIBED SOVIET MENTAL HEALTH SYSTEM AND NOTED THAT OVERABUNDANCE IN WESTERN SOCIETIES OFTEN SAID TO BE A CAUSE OF PSYCHIATRIC DISTURBANCES.
4. COMMENT: MOROZOV'S HIGH VISIBILITY IN HELSINKI MAY HAVE BEEN PLANNED AS STEP TO OVERCOME BAD IMAGE IN WEST OF SOVIET PSYCHIATRY.

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